

### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

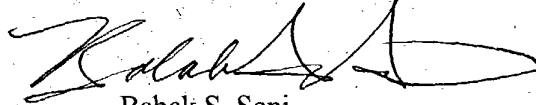
By this amendment all claims other than claim 1 from the parent application have been cancelled preparatory to submission of new claims for examination. The amendment is submitted in accordance with the Revised Amendment Format as set forth in the Notice provided on the USPTO web site for the Office of Patent Legal Administration, Pre-OG Notices, signed 1/31/03. Entrance of this amendment is respectfully requested.

### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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